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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT:

NSC/CIA Liaison on Information/Intelligence

Now that the Administration is nearly three months old, it has occurred to us that it might be valuable to have a working-level meeting between the NSC staff and people at CIA who direct preparation of intelligence and other materials which we use.

There have been a number of conversations between individual NSC and CIA people about information flow, along the lines of the following questions:

- -- What kinds of information/intelligence are most useful to the NSC, and in what format?
- -- What kinds of information have proved to be most useful, and what could usefully be revised or eliminated?
- -- How can CIA officers best learn of the needs of NSC personnel on a timely basis, so that analyses will be ready before decisions/problems are upon us?
- -- How can CIA best communicate a sense of impending problems/ issues, so that NSC can best use CIA analyses and judgments?

If you agree with the value of a meeting to discuss these questions, I would propose that the NSC staff meet with people whom you designate -- perhaps half a dozen -- for an hour or two sometime in the near future.

I would welcome your comments.

NSC. Zbigniew Brzezinski

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candidates for this meeting for DCI review.